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Mr. S.J. Hong 2400 Virginia Avenue, NW, Apt C-320 Washington, DC 20037

Dear Mr. Hong:

Per your request, enclosed is a copy of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Proposed Rule on Environmental Impact Assessment of Nongovernmental Activities in Antarctica (CEQ Number 010045). The Draft EIS examines five alternatives for the proposed rule, including EPA's preferred alternative. A notice of availability for the Draft EIS was published in the Federal Register on February 16, 2001. A 45 day review period will close on April 2, 2001.

Please submit any written comments on the Draft EIS to either me or Joseph Montgomery's attention at:

Office of Federal Activities
Mail Code 2252A
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20460

Attention: Antarctica Draft EIS Comments

The proposed rule will be published separately in the *Federal Register* for public comment in the near future. We will add your name to our mailing list to receive a copy when it is published.

Sincerely,

B. Katherine Biggs, Associate Division Director

NEPA Compliance Division Office of Federal Activities

Enclosure